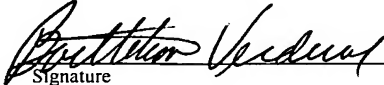


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.51) TBA <b>10/544272</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION PCT/FI2004/000085	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 24 February 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 26 February 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD FOR RECOVERY OF ZINC BY COUNTERCURRENT LEACHING		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US JÄRVINEN, Aimo; LAHTINEN, Marko; and TAKALA, Heikki		
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